## BEFORE

## THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

## SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 91-263-C - ORDER NO. 91-635 JULY 22, 1991

IN RE: Horry Telephone Cooperative, ) ORDER
Inc. - Request for Extra-Ordinary ) GRANTING
Retirement. ) RELIEF

On March 26, 1991, Horry Telephone Cooperative, Inc. filed a request with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) seeking approval of an extra-ordinary retirement of three (3) first generation digital switching central office equipment switches in the Loris, Lakewood and Murrells Inlet central offices. The Company requests that amortization of the extra-ordinary retirement be completed during 1991. The Company alleges that the retirements are necessary due to increased subscriber growth, increased maintenance expense, and equipment obsolescence. The extra-ordinary retirements amount to \$360,000.00.

As per the direction of the Executive Director, public notice was published in the service area of the Company. No protests or interventions were received.

It appears to this Commission that the request of the Company for extra-ordinary retirement of the three digital switching devices is reasonable and in the public interest due to the reasons

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cited by the Company.

## IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That the request for extra-ordinary retirement of the three first generation digital switches in the Loris, Lakewood, and Murrells Inlet central offices is hereby granted.
  - 2. That the amortization shall be completed during 1991.
- 3. That this Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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ATTEST:

Depute Executive Director

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